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SUBJECT: CARIBBEAN REGIONAL MEETING ON LAND-BASED
SOURCES OF MARINE POLLUTION

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1. SCICOUNS AND E/CCOUNS MET AUGUST 26 WITH UNDER-
SECRETARY VIZCAINO AND HIS DIRECTOR OF COORDINATION,
VELASCO.

2. WITH SPECIFIC REFERENCE TO THREE POINTS RAISED IN
REFTEL:

A. EXPANSION OF PROPOSED LIST OF COUNTRIES TO BE
INVITED SO AS INCLUDE ALL IN CARIBBEAN AREA: VIZCAINO
INTERPOSED NO OBJECTION TO THE CONCEPT, INSTRUCTED
VELASCO TAKE THIS UP IMMEDIATELY IN HIS CONVERSATION WITH
UNDERSECRETARY FOREIGN AFFAIRS, AND ADVISE EMBASSY OF
RESULTS. HE COMMENTED ON THE SIDE QUOTE YOU KNOW WE TAKE
INSTRUCTIONS FROM THEM IN SUCH MATTERS UNQUOTE.

B. LIMITATION OF AGENDA TO LAND-BASED SOURCES OF MARINE
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POLLUTION, CONSONANT WITH BALTIC, NORTH ATLANTIC AGREEMENTS:

UNDERSECRETARIAT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT (SMA) OFFICIALS SEEMED QUITE RECEPTIVE TO IDEA, MADE NO COMMITMENTS, BUT WILL CONSIDER. US REPS MADE POINT THAT NORTH ATLANTIC AGREEMENT CONCERNED PRIMARILY WITH MARINE CONTAMINATION FROM LAND-BASED SOURCES BY SURFACE MEANS, WHEREAS BALTIC MORE COMPREHENSIVE COVERING BOTH SURFACE AS WELL AS AIR TRANSPORTED CONTAMINATION FROM LAND-BASED SOURCES. PER REFTEL, POINTED OUT THAT OTHER SOURCES OF MARINE POLLUTION SUBJECT OF OTHER CONFERENCES AND FORUMS. THIS MATTER ALSO WILL BE DISCUSSED WITH FONSECRETARIAT FROM POLICY POINT OF VIEW, AND EMBASSY EXPECTS SMA REPLY IN DUE COURSE.

C. IT OBVIOUS FROM ABOVE THAT SMA IN CONSTANT CLOSE CONTACT WITH FONSECRETARIAT ON PROPOSED CONFERENCE. JOVA

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